

## **Molecules and Matter**







- The density of a substance is defined as its mass per unit volume
- Density can be calculated using the equation:  $p = \frac{m}{V}$
- This is when:
- density (p) is measured in kilograms per metre cubed (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)
- mass (*m*) is measured in kilograms (kg)
- volume (V) is measured in metres cubed (m<sup>3</sup>)
- Objects with a density that is less than the densiy of a given liquid will float in that liquid

## **Density Tests:**



- For a solid object, measure the mass using an electronic balance
- For a regular object (such as a cuboid) measure the lengths of the sides using a millimetre rule. Using this measurement, you can calculate volume
- For an irregular solid, lwer the object into a measuring cylinder of water until it is submerged – calculate the volume from the rise in water level
- For a liquid, measure the mass of an empty beaker. Pour liquid into beaker and measure new mass. Subtract mass of beaker to give mass of liquid.



- All **matter** contains particles. The difference between the different states of matter is how the particles are arranged:
- in a solid particles are tightly packed in a regular structure
- in a liquid particles are tightly packed but free to move past each other
- in a gas particles are spread out and move randomly













When a material is heated or cooled, two changes may happen to the particles within the material:

- Chemical **bonds** between the **particles** may form, break or stretch. There is a change in the chemical potential store of energy in the material.
- The material will heat up or cool down as the particles within it gain or lose speed. There is a change in the thermal store of energy within the material.
- The internal energy is the total amount of kinetic energy and potential energy of all the particles in the system.



- The specific heat capacity of a material is the energy required to raise one kilogram (kg) of the material by one degree Celsius (°C).
- The amount of **thermal energy** stored or released as the temperature of a system changes can be calculated using the equation:  $\Delta E_t = m \times c \times \Delta \theta$

This is when:

- change in thermal energy  $(\Delta E_t)$  is measured in joules (J)
- mass (*m*) is measured in kilograms (kg)
- specific heat capacity (c) is measured in joules per kilogram per degree Celsius (J/kg°C)
- temperature change ( $\Delta \theta$ ) is measured in degrees Celsius (°C)



- Changing the internal energy of a material will cause it to change temperature or change state:
- the energy required for a particular change in temperature is given by the **specific heat capacity**
- the energy required for a particular change in state is given by the **specific latent heat**
- Specific latent heat is the amount of energy required to change the state of 1 kilogram (kg) of a material without changing its temperature.



- As there are two boundaries, solid/liquid and liquid/gas, each material has two specific latent heats:
- latent heat of fusion the amount of energy needed to **freeze** or **melt** the material at its melting point
- latent heat of vaporisation the amount of energy needed to evaporate or condense the material at its boiling point



- The particles in a gas are moving very quickly in random directions.
- The speeds of the particles vary but, on average, they move quicker than they do in liquids and solids.
- This means that it does not take long for a gas to spread out to fill its entire container.
- The smell of an air freshener can spread all around a room very quickly.

## Gas pressure



Since the particles in a gas are moving fast and randomly, collisions occur frequently. These collisions may be between two particles, between a particle and the wall of the container, or between a particle and something else in the container.





- The **pressure** caused by a gas can be calculated using the equation:
- This is when:

$$pressure = \frac{force}{area}$$

- pressure (p) is measured in newtons per metre squared (N/m<sup>2</sup>)
- force (F) is measured in newtons (N)
- area (*a*) is measured in metres squared (m<sup>2</sup>)



- The temperature of a gas is a measure of the average kinetic energy of its particles the higher the temperature, the higher the average kinetic energy.
- If the **volume** of a container with a gas inside stays the same, the pressure of a gas increases as its **temperature** increases.
- As the temperature increases, the pressure increases showing that pressure is directly **proportional** to temperature.







**Pressure** can be increased by:

- increasing the **temperature** this increases the force of each collision
- decreasing the volume this increases the number of collisions per second